

STATE OF MAINE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2004-167

April 5, 2004

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY  
Annual Price Change Pursuant to the  
Alternative Rate Plan (Post Merger)

PROCEDURAL ORDER

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An initial case conference in the above-referenced matter was held on April 1, 2004. Based on the proceedings at the conference, the following orders are entered.

**I. INTERVENTION**

The Office of the Public Advocate (OPA) and the Industrial Energy Consumer Group (IECG) have filed petitions to intervene in this matter. There being no objection and good cause appearing therefore, the petitions of the OPA and the IECG are granted.

**II. PROTECTIVE ORDERS**

On March 4, 2004, Central Maine Power Company (CMP) filed a request for the issuance of Temporary Protective Order No. 1 (Specific Customer Data) and No. 2 (Proprietary Business Information) prior to the submission of its annual filing to be made on March 15, 2004. In order to expedite the provision of this information to the Commission the requested protective orders were issued on a temporary basis and subject to reconsideration in light of arguments by any intervenors. Parties were given an opportunity to object to extending the term of the temporary protective orders at the initial case conference. There being no objection, Protective Order No. 1 and Protective Order No. 2 are made permanent subject to modification as described in the Orders.

**III. SCHEDULE**

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Initial Technical Conference on CMP Filing	April 7, 2004 (1:30 p.m.)
CMP's Responses to Technical Conference Oral Data Requests	April 21, 2004
Second Technical Conference and Settlement Conference	April 28, 2004 (1:30 p.m.)
CMP Presentation of Annual FERC Transmission Filing	June 4, 2004 (9:00 a.m.)

Additional litigation scheduling will be addressed at the conclusion of the April 28th settlement conference.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2004.

BY ORDER OF THE HEARING EXAMINER

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Charles Cohen